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December 5. Two cases of plague, a Californian who died December 2 and a German who died December 3, were confirmed by bacteriological examination to-day. Total cases of plague to date, 112; deaths to date, 67.

Doctor Blue further reports plague-prevention work at San Francisco carried out during the week ended November 30:

Sick inspected.....	75
Plague cases found.....	7
Dead inspected.....	61
Plague, among dead inspected.....	1
Premises inspected.....	4, 988
Houses disinfected.....	58
Houses destroyed.....	20
Nuisances abated.....	452
Rats found dead.....	561
Rats trapped.....	1, 911
Bounty rats received.....	75
Poisons placed.....	249, 757
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	811
Rats infected with bacillus pestis.....	1
Contacts inspected.....	34

*Outgoing quarantine transactions.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Hobdy reports, November 25:

Week ended November 23. Ninety-four vessels were fumigated and certified to during the week, and 40 vessels, previously fumigated, were certified to. Investigations along the water front show that there is considerable diminution in the number of rats present and a still more marked decrease in the number of sick or dead rats seen. The infection is still generally distributed, but the percentage is very much lower than was first reported. Of the dead rats that are found, many were proved to have died from the results of the rat crusade now being waged, as their autopsies show death to have been due to the various poisons employed for their destruction, and particularly to phosphorus.

Observations during the week indicate that the number of rats found on board is being steadily reduced.

*Report from Seattle, Wash.—Plague-prevention work.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cofer reports, December 2:

Week ended November 30.

Sick inspected.....	3
City blocks inspected and reported upon.....	207
Nuisances abated.....	135
Cubic yards of rubbish burned.....	105
Cubic yards of rubbish removed.....	304
Rats delivered and cremated.....	2, 540
Rats examined bacteriologically.....	49
Pieces of rat poison placed.....	176, 000
Vessels disinfected.....	6